

**Speech of Gen. Cass,**

Passing now, sir, from the consideration of this subject to the course now before us, I would observe

The honorable senator speaks of certainty. How far he requires it in the anticipation of events, I do not know. These are his words: "Is there any certainty—for I go on certainties, now more than probability—for any gentleman here saying that Mexico will be a republic? I am supposing the first campaign should find us in the city of Mexico." I, for one, can see no such certainty, sir. Indeed it does not belong to man to see it. There is uncertainty in this life than that it will be terminated and soon terminated by death. Almost all is doubtful around us, especially in the operation of war. War is not always the swift, nor the battle to the string, and every day's experience confirms the truth of the proposition. Some of the most splendid achievements in war, from Salamis to Montevideo, have been gained under apparently adverse circumstances, and against great disparity of force. If we are only to fight when victory is assured, we shall have no wars. The circumstances under which human sagacity could not see, nor human power overcome, have many times decided the destiny of nations. The senator also has submitted many sound observations respecting the diversity of character, of race,

6. Other citizens have been murdered and robbed by Mexican officers on the high seas without attempt to bring the guilty to justice.

In presenting to Congress these causes of complaint against Mexico in 1837, General Jackson stated it would justify, in the eyes of all nations, immediate war.<sup>10</sup> This sentiment was responded to by a committee on Foreign Relations, both in the Senate and in the House of Representatives, the former of whom looked to a presentation of the subject at the next session of Congress, and could not doubt but that such measures would be immediately adopted.

Now, sir, let us do justice to ourselves. It is possible, with the best motives, to possess so much general philanthropy as to overlook our own rights.

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made to the engineers quarterly, commencing June 1st, 1847, not less than one cent, nor more than two cents, per acre, until the completion of the work. A bond will also be required of the contractors. The work to be finished by the 1st day of September, and the capework by the 1st day of October, 1847. Attest

JOHN W. HAMILTON, Clerk of Board of Supervisors.